

Emergency Communication Button

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Purpose

To identify the process for activating the Emergency Communication Button (ECB) on radios and MDCs.

Procedure

All portable radios, MDCs and most mobile radios are equipped with an ECB. On the radios it is a red or orange button, on the MDCs it is red icon in the top center of the screen. These are to be activated when crews need emergency radio traffic. When crews activate the ECB because of a threat and need LEA, they should advise "CODE RED" over the radio after pressing the ECB. At this point CCC will send LEA without requesting any additional information of the crews.

If the ECB is activated unintentionally, CCC will notify the unit that the ECB has been activated. Crews should respond with "ACCIDENTAL ACTIVATION" over the radio. The ECB will then need to be reset by pressing and holding the ECB button again, or turning the radio off and back on again.